THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The programme to be implemented during the Eighth Five Year Plan, the targets to be achieved and funds allocated for this purpose have not yet been finalised.

[*Translation*]

**Exchange of Films with Pakistan and China**

7171. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the mutual exchange of movies with Pakistan and China;

(b) if so, the details of the said scheme; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). There is no proposal for mutual exchange of films with Pakistan. India exports films in a small way to China and also imports films from China. India and China regularly participate in International Film Festivals organised in their respective countries. A Chinese film week was held in New Delhi and Bombay during October-November 1990. A Retrospective of Raj Kapoor's films has been recently organised in China from 30th March to 10th April, 1992. However, neither Indian film week has been organised in Pakistan nor Pakistani films have participated in the Indian International Film Festivals in the past 3 years.

(c) While the efforts are on to increase film trade with China, it is not opening up with Pakistan because Pakistan is not encouraging import of Indian films. However, there is no ban on Pakistani films being imported into India.

[*English*]

**Conversion of Exchanges into Electronic in Maharashtra**

7172. SHRI SHANKARRAO KALE: SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of telephone exchanges in Maharashtra with STD facility at present and the number of electronic exchanges out of them;

(b) whether the Government propose to convert the remaining telephone exchanges into electronic exchanges during 1992-93;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Sir, the details of Telephone Exchanges in Maharashtra having STD facility at present are given in the attached Statement I.

Out of them 140 are electronic exchanges.

(b) to (d). Sir, it is proposed to convert 24 telephone exchanges into electronic exchanges during 1992-93, the details are given in the attached Statement -II. For the remaining exchanges the replacement programme during the 8th Five Year Plan will be based on the Draft 8th Five Year Plan objectives Viz. the replacement of manual exchanges, Electro-Mechanical MAX-III and MAX -II (Line Finder Type) besides other exchanges which are life expired.